

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION REGION III . 799 ROOSEVELT ROAD GLEN ELLYN, ILLINOIS 60137

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Docket No. 50-358

Cincinnati Gas and Electric Company ATTN: Mr. Earl A. Borgmann Vice President 139 East 4th Street Cincinnati, OH 45201

Gentlemen:

This refers to the investigation conducted by Messrs. J. E. Foster and K. R. Naidu of this office on April 11-13, 18, and 25-27, 1979, of activities at the Wm. H. Zimmer Unit 1 construction site, authorized by NRC Construction Permit No. CPPR-88 and to the discussion of our findings with Messrs. B. K. Culver and W. W. Schwiers and others of your staff at the conclusion of the investigation.

This investigation concerned allegations of improper construction, inspection, and quality control relative to heating, ventilating, and air conditioning systems at the Zimmer Unit 1 site. The enclosed copy of our investigation report identifies those areas examined during the investigation. Within these areas, the investigation consisted of a selective examination of procedures and representative records, observations, and interviews with personnel.

During this investigation certain of your activities appeared to be in noncompliance with NRC requirements, as described in the enclosed Appendix A. With respect to item 1, example a, the investigation showed that action had been taken to correct the identified noncompliance and to prevent recurrence. Consequently, no reply to this example is required.

Your contractor, the Waldinger Corporation, committed to remove and re-evaluate all engineering decisions made by the Individual "A" noted in the enclosed report. Please confirm this action in your letter of response.

This notice is sent to you pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.201 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations. Section 2.201 requires you to submit to this office within thirty days of your receipt of this notice a written statement or explanation in reply, including for each item of non-compliance: (1) corrective action taken and the results achieved; (2) corrective action to be taken to avoid further noncompliance; and (3) the date when full compliance will be achieved.

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In accordance with Section 2.790 of the NRC's "Rules of Practice," Part 2, Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, a copy of this letter, the enclosures, and your reconse to this letter will be placed in the NRC's Public Document Room, except as follows. If the enclosures contain information that you or your contractors believe to be proprietary, you must apply in writing to this office, within twenty days of your receipt of this letter, to withhold such information from public disclosure. The application must include a full statement of the reasons for which the information is considered proprietary, and should be prepared to that proprietary information identified in the application is considered to the application.

We will gladly discuss any questions you have concerning this investigation.

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Sincerely,

James G. Keppler

Director

Enclosures: 1. Appendix A, Notice of Violation 2. IE Investigation Report

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